

**2006 Nursing Facility
Medicaid**

**HOME OFFICE COST STATEMENT
INSTRUCTIONS**



The Cost Reporting System

The **N.C Medicaid Nursing Facility Home Office Cost Statement** software will allow you to input the financial information required by the Division of Medical Assistance, create the cost report for review, and transfer that information to the Audit Section of DMA. The software will run on an IBM compatible personal computer. Although it can be installed in a multi-user network environment, specific procedures do not provide simultaneous access by more than one user at a time. Therefore, it should be treated as a stand-alone application rather than networked.

The User Manual

This user manual contains important information concerning the operation of the **Home Office Cost Reporting System**. Prior to using the software, please read this document in its entirety.

Filing the Cost Report

After you have completed all required inputs for the Cost Statement, and verified the accuracy of the printed Cost Statement, complete and sign the Certification Form following the instructions given at the end of this manual. After the above requirements have been accomplished, prepare 3½" diskettes containing the cost report data files following the instructions found at the end of this manual. Send the diskettes and the Certification Form according to the following schedule:

Cost Report	Due Date	Send Via US Mail To	Alternate Shipping
Home Office Cost Statement	Jan. 2, 2007	Desk Audit Section Division of Medical Assistance 2501 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2501	Desk Audit Section Division of Medical Assistance One Bank of America Plaza 421 Fayetteville St. Raleigh, NC 27601

If you have any questions regarding the requirements or completion of the **N.C Medicaid Nursing Facility Home Office Cost Statement**, please call the Audit Section of the Division of Medical Assistance at:

(919) 647-8060

You may also receive important information and answers to some Frequently Asked Questions by visiting the Audit Section Web Site at:

<http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/audit.htm>

You can also find answers to many questions relative to the Home Office reporting requirements by visiting the CMS Web Site at:

<http://cms.hhs.gov/manuals/pbm/list.asp>

For questions regarding the operation and use of the **Home Office Cost Reporting System** software, please call a Division of Information Resource Management computing consultant at:

(919) 855-3200

The **Home Office Cost Reporting System** must be installed onto your hard disk before it can be used. If you received diskettes from DMA, follow the directions below for proper software installation. If you downloaded the program using the Internet, follow the installation procedures given on the Web site using the following URL – <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/icfmr/install.html> site.

STEP	ACTION
1	You may install this software by using Windows File Manager , Windows Explorer or a DOS prompt screen.
2	Insert the diskette labeled Cost Reporting System Installation Disk #1 into diskette drive A or B
3	Locate appropriate Drive A: or B: where the diskette was inserted.
4	Locate and double click the filename INSTALL.BAT or key INSTALL if using DOS and press the Enter key.
5	Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation, inserting the diskette labeled Installation Disk #2 , and Installation Disk #3 into the diskette drive when prompted to do so.
6	When the installation is complete, remove the last diskette from the diskette drive and store the diskettes together in an appropriate location.

To start the **Cost Reporting System**:

1. Locate the drive where the program was installed using DOS or Windows and make it the active drive or working directory.
2. Change to the sub-directory where the program was installed by using your mouse or by keying:
CD \HONUR06
3. Next, double click the file **COSTRPT.BAT** or key **COSTRPT** at the DOS prompt and press the **Enter** key

The system will display the System Menu as shown in Figure 1 on the next page. Click on the **File** menu and choose **Add New Cost Statement** to get started. This option will present the General Information Schedule input screen for you to begin. After this is completed, the system will present a series of menus and options designed to guide you logically through the process of completing the report.

First time users are urged to print a "blank" copy of the Home Office Cost Statement by using the **Utilities** menu **Print Blank Cost Report** option to follow along with the instructions in this guide.

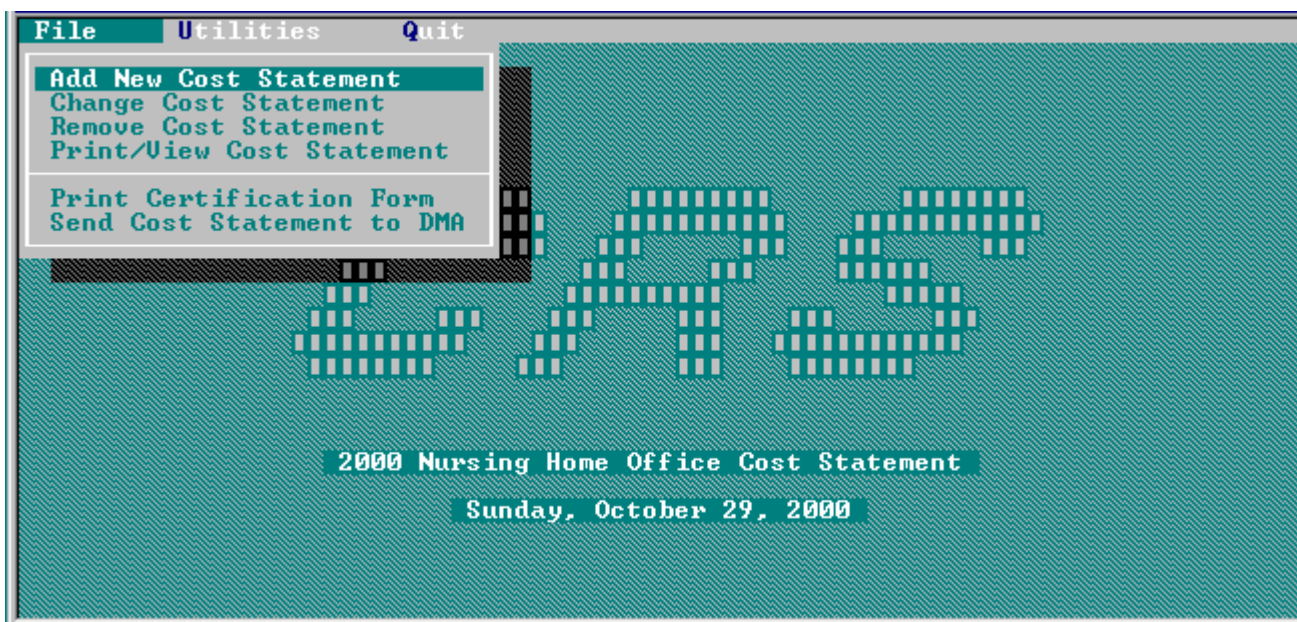


Figure 1 - Main System Menu

The menus are structure much like the Nursing Provider software and you should refer to that manual for general operating instructions. Note -- When starting the first time after installation, you will be asked to specify the type of printer you are using and the port it is attached to on your computer. You should use the same printer emulation that you used with your Nurse04 Provider software.

Figure 2 below shows the options available on the Utilities drop down menu.

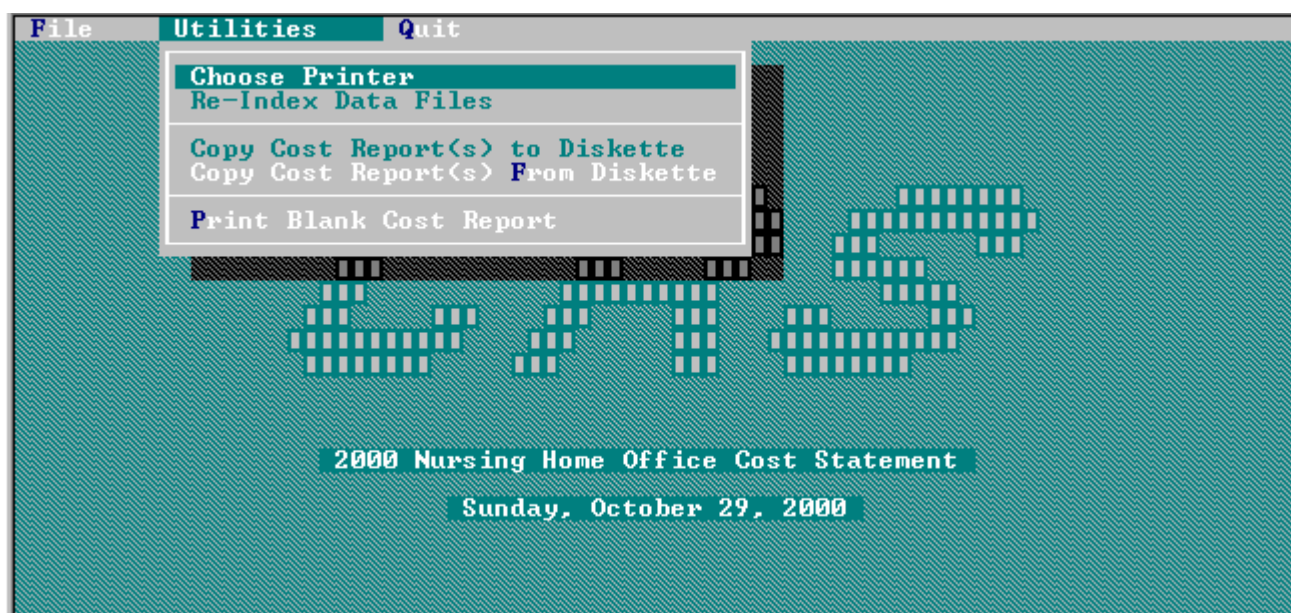


Figure 2 - Utilities Menu Options

The next part of this guide will explain the steps necessary to complete each schedule of the Home Office Cost Statement much like the guide did in previous years when you were mailed a hard copy to complete.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The General Information section consists of Schedule 1 and is intended to provide the Home Office auditor with data on the chain Home Office and the cost statement being filed. As you complete each schedule of the cost statement, you may print or view the output at any time. As shown in Figure 1 above, the option **Print/View Cost Statement** will allow on-screen viewing of the data. You are strongly urged to print the General Information Schedule and check each chain component carefully for all data as this step is critical to the software calculating the report correctly. Making changes to a chain facility's name, FYE, or provider number after you have completed Schedules 7 and 8 can cause the software to become confused and produce unpredictable results. Please print and verify the data immediately after completing Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Information and Certification -- Refer to Figure 3 for screen details.

Part I General Information

- Item 1** Enter the Home Office name. If there was a change in name during the reporting period, indicate the former name in parentheses.
- Item 2** Enter the current mailing address of the Home Office.
- Item 3** Enter the present telephone number for the address given above and check if the report is for a Home Office or Related Party organization. Also, identify the type of service(s) or goods the organization is providing.
- Item 4** Enter the cost reporting period covered by the cost statement. This will indicate whether a full year or lesser period cost statement is submitted.

Figure 3 - General Information Schedule First Screen.

Item 5 On screen two, check the appropriate item to indicate the type of chain organization. All chain organizations must complete the cost statement forms pertaining to Home Office costs (Schedules 2 through 10).

After completing the first two screens shown above, the user will be presented a small menu of options to complete the remaining general information data. They should be completed in the order as shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4 - General Information Sub Menu

Item 6 Select the **Key Officer's Name and Title** option to enter the names of key officers of the Home Office. Click the **< List >** option to open the section allowing for multiple entries. Be particularly careful to **< Save >** you work each time you are ready to leave a screen.

Item 7 Selecting the Chain Components option from the menu shown above will present a secondary menu as shown in Figure 5 to allow the user to list all the various components of the chain organization. This listing must include health care facilities which are owned, leased, or through any device controlled by the chain organization. Other non-healthcare components as well as divisions or regional offices of the Home Office must also be listed.

Component Types	Entered
<•> Health Care Facilities	0
< > Other Non-Healthcare Facilities	0
< > Regional Offices	0

Figure 5 - Chain Component Selection Menu

The providers should also be referenced by fiscal year end, provider number, and local intermediary. To do this, there are follow-on screens that allow input of this information for each component as necessary. See Figures 6, 7 and 8 for examples of these screens. When first entering a new component, you will be prompted to select the **State** as shown below. Simply **Tab** to the select field and depress enter or hold down the left mouse button and highlight the desired state name. When keying names of each component, be mindful that this will be the key item to locate the component and should distinctly identify the facility on each screen. If two or more facilities have similar names, use additional wording to help pin point this facility later on. For FY 2006, the software has

been modified to accept the new Federal NPI number for a facility in lieu of the Medicare number. You may enter either one at this time. See Figure 6, 7 & 8 below. Be aware too, all component selection screens are sorted alphabetically by state and then by facility name but not all forms/screens will display every provider number.

Figure 6 - Health Care Facility Chain Component Input Screen

Figure 7 - Other Non-Health Care Facility Input Screen

Figure 8 - Regional Office Input Screen

Part II Certification by Officer of Home Office

The certification form is now a separate item from Schedule 1. The certification statement must be completed on all Home Office cost statements submitted. The auditor will reject any cost statement filed without a completed certification statement. The software has an option - **Print Certification Form** - on the **File** drop down menu as shown in Figure 1 that prints a partially completed Certification Form to be filled in, signed and dated by the president, owner, or responsible officer of the Home Office. The Audit Section must have an original signature document and will not accept a facsimile copy.

HOME OFFICE COSTS

The section pertaining to Home Office costs consists of Schedules 2 through 9 and is intended to provide the auditors with:

- (a) a detailed analysis of allocable Home Office costs beginning with the trial balance of expenses (Schedule 2)
- (b) Medicaid adjustments to those costs (Schedule 3)
- (c) a statement of costs from related organizations (Schedule 4)
- (d) allocation of the direct, functional, and pooled Home Office cost (Schedules 5, 6, 7)
- (e) a summary of allowable Home Office costs by chain component (Schedule 8)
- (f) a statement of revenue and expenses (Schedule 9)

Refer to the Provider Reimbursement Manual (HIM-15-1), Sections 2150 and 2153 for Medicaid guidelines.

Once the user has created the initial General Information schedule using the **Add New Cost Statement** option shown in Figure 1, the system will then make all schedules available to the user through the **Change Cost Statement** option. Multiple Home Office cost statements may be created using the software. After choosing the desired named report, a list of available forms/schedules will be presented as shown below in Figure 9.

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HOME OFFICE COST STATEMENT
Form Selection for Data Entry

√ [ ] General Information
√ [ ] Allowable Costs
√ [ ] Adjustments to Expenses
√ [ ] Costs of Services From Related Organizations
  [ ] Direct Allocation of Expenses
  [ ] Functional Allocation of Expenses
√ [ ] Allocation of Pooled Costs
  [ ] Summary - Allocation of Home Office Costs
√ [ ] Statement of Revenue and Expenses
√ [X] Balance Sheet
√ [ ] Investment Funds & Interest Income

< Ok >                < Done >

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Figure 9 - Form Selection Menu

In the illustration above, the user has entered some data into eight schedules as indicated by the check ✓ to the left of the selection box and has left clicked the Balance Sheet select box. Be aware, the Balance Sheet option may not be available depending on the type of chain organization you select on Schedule 1.

Schedule 2 Statement of Allowable Costs

This section of the Home Office Cost Statement begins with the entry of the trial balance of expenses per the Home Office books. As other schedules are completed, Schedule 2 will automatically update each column and you may view the results at any time using the **Print/View Cost Statement** option found on the **File** drop down menu.

column 1 Enter the Home Office expenses as shown in the Home Office records. Use audited data if available; if unaudited figures are used, it should be noted on the Certification Form in Part A.

The Grand Total for Expenses Col. 1 must agree with Schedule 9, line 2. This is not automatically done by the software and the user must enter the correct amount on Schedule 9.

STATEMENT OF ALLOWABLE COSTS	
Account Description	Expenses
1. Salaries - Officers	14,037
2. Salaries - Others	0
3. Payroll Taxes	0
4. Employee Benefits	0
5. Profit Sharing/Pension Plans	0
6. Travel/Entertainment	0
7. Automobile/Transportation	0
8. Depreciation/Amortization	0
9. Building Rental	0
10. Equipment Rental	0
11. Utilities	0
12. Legal and Accounting	0
Total:	14,037

« Edit » < Add > < Remove > < Done >

Figure 10 -- Column 1 Account Selection Screen for Expenses per Home Office Books

To make an entry, highlight the desired account and click the **<< Edit >>** option; Figure 10. A second screen will appear where you may enter the amount of expense; Figure 11.

STATEMENT OF ALLOWABLE COSTS			
Line	Account Description	Expenses per Home Office Books	
2:	Salaries - Others		0
Column	Headers for Reports	Functional Allocation Basis	
	Salaries	< > Total Inpatient Days	
	Others	< > Total Cost	
		< > Other Approved Method	
<div> < Save > < Cancel > </div>			

Figure 11 - Entry Screen for Expenses per Home Office Books

After entering the amount, the user must choose the allocation basis that will be used if any portion of this expense is functionally allocated to a chain component. The entries may be changed at any time if necessary.

Schedule 2, continued

The user also has the option to create additional line item expense accounts to identify peculiar expenses that are not readily identifiable as belonging to one of the 23 pre-filled accounts. When using this screen, the user may enter a detailed account description to be printed on Schedule 2 as well as an abbreviated description for Sch. 5 and 6 printouts. See Figure 12 below. Remember to always save each entry or else the data will not become effective. As always, the user may choose to cancel at any time

Line	Account Description	Expenses per Home Office Books
:		0

Column Headers for Reports

Functional Allocation Basis

- < > Total Inpatient Days
- < > Total Cost
- < > Other Approved Method

< Save > < Cancel >

Figure 12 - Input Screen to Add an Account to Schedule 2

To view and/or print form entries, exit from the screen using the **< Cancel >** or **Escape** key. Keep in mind, the **Escape** key will exit any current screen and return the user back to the previous screen (or menu) all the way back to the main starting menu. Next, locate the **Print/View Cost Statement** option and choose that function. The program will present a list of all cost statements you have keyed. Highlight the desired file and use the Space Bar or right mouse button to place a check **√** beside the file to be viewed/printed (see Figure 13) and select **< Ok >**.

PRINT COST REPORT

Select Cost Report(s) to Print

√

Test Home Office Cost Statement

< Ok > < Done >

Figure 13 - Cost Report Selection Screen for Viewing or Printing

The next screen to appear will be a form selection screen (Figure 14) from which you may select any one schedule to "View" or any combination of forms to "Print". After all entries have been completed on the cost statement, the print option **Final Cost Report** is available to make a hard copy for final verification. It is strongly recommended that every user print a hardcopy of Schedule 1, General Information, and verify the accuracy of every chain component prior to completing any other schedules. See Figure 15 for an example of the print viewer output.

Schedule 2, continued

HOME OFFICE COST STATEMENT
Form Selection for Data Entry

< [X] General Information

< [] Allowable Costs

< [] Adjustments to Expenses

< [] Costs of Services From Related Organizations

< [] Direct Allocation of Expenses

< [] Functional Allocation of Expenses

< [] Allocation of Pooled Costs

< [] Summary - Allocation of Home Office Costs

< [] Statement of Revenue and Expenses

< [] Balance Sheet

< [] Investment Funds & Interest Income

< Ok > < Done >

Figure 14 - Form Selection Screen for Printing or Viewing

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
2000 NURSING MEDICAID HOME OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ALLOWABLE COSTS

Home Office Name: Medicaid Home Offices, Inc.
Reporting Period: 10/01/1999 - 09/30/2000

Account Description	Expenses per Home Office Books 1	Medicaid Adjustments <from Sch. 3> 2	Allowable Expenses <Col. 1 less Col. 2> 3	Di Ch Comp <fr 8
1.Salaries - Officers	14,037	0	14,037	
2.Salaries - Others	268,170	0	268,170	2
3.Payroll Taxes	20,105	0	20,105	
4.Employee Benefits	32,594	0	32,594	
5.Profit Sharing/Pension Plans	4,000	0	4,000	
6.Travel/Entertainment	20,422	0	20,422	
7.Automobile/Transportation	5,106	-4,262	844	

Press ESC to Exit Viewer

Figure 15 – Sample of Schedule 2 as Shown by the Print Viewer

Should the user need to make a correction to Schedules 1 - 8 after they have already been completed, the **Recalculate** option is available on the Print Options menu to ensure the entire cost statement has summed the data across all schedules; Figure 16.

PRINT OPTIONS

< > Standard 8 1/2 X 11 Paper

< > Legal 8 1/2 X 14 Paper

< > Include Page Numbers

< > Omit Page Numbers

Starting Page Number

[X] Recalculate

< Ok > < Cancel >

Figure 16 - Print Options Menu with Recalculate Selected

Schedule 2, continued

column 2 As Schedule 3 is being completed, the Medicaid adjustments from that schedule will be automatically entered in Col. 2 of Schedule 2. When more than one adjustment pertains to the same expense, the adjustments will be summarized on Schedule 2.

The Grand Total of Sch-2, Col. 2 must agree with the total of Schedule 3, Col. 1.

column 3 The system will automatically calculate the Allowable Expenses in column 3 by subtracting column 2 from column 1.

column 4 After Schedule 5 has been completed, the direct allocations of expenses to each chain component will be summed and displayed in column 4 of Schedule 2.

column 5 If the organization has regional or divisional offices, Schedule 5 may be used to enter direct allocations of expenses to these offices as appropriate. Expenses applicable to each regional office will be summed in column 5 of Schedule 2.

The Grand Total of Sch-2, Col. 5 must agree with Schedule 5, Regional Office Totals.

Direct allocations of expenses to regional offices will be allocated to the chain components as pooled costs. The totals generated by the regional office(s) will be allocated to each component using Schedule 7-3. (A separate Schedule 7-3 must be completed for each regional office.)

column 6 Schedule 6 is provided to enter any functional allocations of expenses to the chain components. As you complete that schedule, the totals will be summed and transferred to Sch-2, Col. 6 for display.

Sch-2, Col. 6, Grand Totals must agree with Schedule 6, Totals for Health Care facilities and Other Components.

column 7 Once the functional allocations of expenses for each regional office(s) has been entered in Schedule 6, those expenses will be summed in column 7 of Schedule 2.

Sch-2, Col. 7, Grand Totals must agree with Schedule 6, Totals for regional offices.

Functional allocations of expenses to regional offices will be allocated to the chain components as pooled costs. The totals generated by the regional office(s) will be allocated to each component using Schedule 7-3. (A separate Schedule 7-3 must be completed for each regional office.)

column 8 The program will automatically calculate the pooled allocable costs by subtracting (net of) columns 4, 5, 6, 7 from column 3.

The Grand Total of Sch-2, col. 8, should be carried forward to Schedule 7-2 to be allocated to the chain components and or other components.

Schedule 3 Medicaid Adjustments to Expenses

As Schedule 3 is being completed, the Medicaid adjustments from this schedule will be automatically entered on Schedule 2, Col. 2. When more than one adjustment pertains to the same expense, the adjustments will be summarized on Schedule 2.

The Grand Total of Sch-2, Col. 2 must agree with the total of Schedule 3, Col. 1.

Basis of Adjustment Enter the letter “A” or “B” in the column marked “Basis of Adjustment”. Use the letter “A” if the basis is costs (non patient care related). Use the letter “B” if revenue received is used as a cost recovery of related expenses.

It is recommended that all adjustments be made on the basis of costs rather than revenue offset. If related costs are unknown or the amount immaterial, revenue offset may be used.

Refer to HIM-15-1, Section 2150.2 and Chapter 10 for identification of adjustments that must be made.

A written statement supporting each adjustment may be attached to Schedule 3 to facilitate the auditors review of the cost statement.

column 1 Enter the amount of each adjustment which is to be made to expenses reported on Schedule 2, column 1. Be aware, as the user completes Schedule 4 and enters adjustments pertaining to costs from related organizations on that schedule, the entries will be automatically posted to Schedule 3 and summed with those on Schedule 2.

Where an adjustment affects two or more expense accounts, a separate distribution must be indicated on a separate line of Schedule 3.

The Total of Sch-3, column 1, must agree with Schedule 2, column 2, Grand Total.

column 2 Indicate the applicable line number of the expense account from Schedule 2 to which the adjustment amount is to be added or subtracted.

column 3 The software will display the expense account title from Schedule 2 for the line number entered. Verify this is the correct account to which the adjustment amount is to be added or subtracted.

Schedule 4 Statement of Costs of Services from Related Organizations

Schedule 4 is designed to collect required information regarding the existence of any Home Office costs which resulted from transactions with related organizations, as defined in Health Insurance Regulation Section 405.427.

Part A Check the applicable “yes” or “no” block to indicate whether transactions with related organizations resulted in Home Office costs to be allocated to the chain components.

If “no” is checked, no further screen entries are required. If “yes” is checked, the user must complete Parts B and C.

Part B This section identifies expenses resulting from a transaction with a related organization.

column 1 Enter the applicable line number from Schedule 2 column 1 for the expenses to be explained in this section.

While the cursor is positioned in this field, a complete listing of all account numbers and descriptions including those added by the user may be viewed by pressing the Alt + L keys.

column 2 The software will complete the expense account description that corresponds to the applicable line number entered in column 1.

column 3 Enter the amount of expense resulting from transactions with the related organization(s).

column 4 Enter the allowable portion of the listed expenses according to DMA Medicaid guidelines.

column 5 The net adjustment amount representing the difference between columns 3 and 4 will be calculated for each type of expense and be transferred to Schedule 3, column 1, as well as Schedule 2, column 2.

Part C This section identifies the relationship of the chain Home Office to the related organization(s).

column 1 Enter the name of the related organization.

column 2 Briefly describe the business activities of the related organization that is transacted with the Home Office or the chain components.

column 3 Indicate whether the relationship between the chain and the related organization is through ownership or control.

column 4 Select one of the predefined relationship descriptions or choose item “G” and key your desired remarks. Explain in detail, the relationship such as

Schedule 4, continued

percentage of ownership, partnership arrangements, joint Board of directors, etc. Also note whether the exception to the related organization rule (HIM-15-1, Section 1010) is applicable.

Schedule 5 Direct Allocation of Expenses to Chain Components

The purpose of this schedule is to identify Home Office costs which are directly assignable to specific chain components and/or regional offices. Direct allocations to the chain components, when transferred to the provider cost report, will be included in the provider's trial balance.

Expenses columns

The software provides a listing of all the chain components to choose from. The user only has to choose the facility or regional office and a complete listing of all the accounts (including those added by the user) will appear and the user can choose the expense account to be directly allocated and enter the amount in the column provided. See Figure 17.

Account Description	Amount
Salaries - Officers	0
Salaries - Others	5,000
Payroll Taxes	0
Employee Benefits	500
Profit Sharing/Pension Plans	0
Travel/Entertainment	0
Automobile/Transportation	0
Depreciation/Amortization	0
Building Rental	0
Equipment Rental	0
Utilities	0
Total:	5,500

Figure 17 – Listing of Accounts for Direct Allocation of Expenses

Show the distribution of the amount of direct cost to each chain component and/or regional office. Where the accounting period of the component is not concurrent with accounting period of the Home Office, the direct allocations must be identified and grouped according to the reporting period of the component to which expense applies.

Totals column

The total of all account columns chosen will be calculated and the sum will appear in the Total column. The respective totals for each account will appear on Schedule 2 in column 4 and/or 5.

Sch-5, the Totals of Health Care Facilities and Other Components must agree with Sch-2, col. 4, Grand Total.

Sch-5, the Total of Regional Offices must agree with Sch-2, col. 5, Grand Total.

Sch-5 Grand Total must agree with Sch-2, sum of columns 4 and 5, Grand Totals.

Schedule 5, continued

The totals by chain component will be carried forward to Schedule 8, by the program. In case of non-concurrent year-ends, ensure the direct allocations are identified in the proper reporting period.

Schedule 6 Functional Allocation of Expenses to Chain Component

The purpose of this schedule is to identify Home Office costs which may be allocated to the chain components and/or regional offices by function. The allocation of cost is made using one option and the statistics are accumulated by another. See Figure 18.

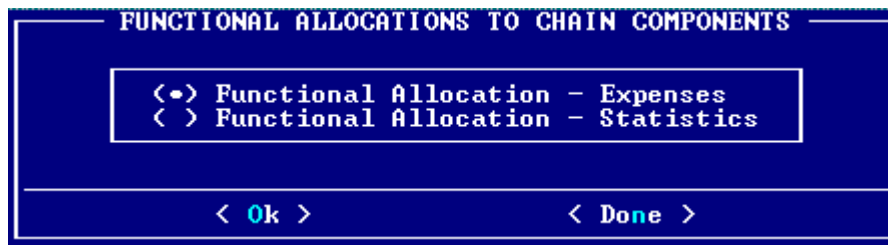


Figure 18 – Functional Allocation Expenses or Statistics Screen

Functional allocations to the chain components, when transferred to the provider cost report, will be included in the Administrative and General cost center.

Statistics columns

The software will provide a listing of all the chain components to choose from. The user only has to choose the facility or regional office and a complete listing of all the accounts (including those added by the user) will appear and the user can choose the expense account to be functionally allocated and enter the statistics applicable to the component and/or regional office in the column provided. Sub-totals will be calculated and forwarded to appropriate schedules.

The user must ensure the total functional expense to be allocated agrees with Schedule 2, columns 6 and 7, Grand Totals.

The program will compute the Unit Cost Multiplier by dividing the cost to be allocated by the total statistics.

Expenses columns

The software will provide a listing of all the chain components to choose from. The user only has to choose the facility or regional office and a complete listing of all the accounts (including those added by the user) will appear and the user can choose the expense account to be functionally allocated and enter the expense amount applicable to the component and/or regional office in the column provided. Sub-totals will be calculated and forwarded to appropriate schedules.

The software will apply the Unit Cost Multiplier to the statistics accumulated and the resulting allocation of cost will be entered in the applicable columns of Sch-6.

Schedule 6, continued

Totals column The total of all account columns chosen will be calculated and the sum will appear in the Total column. The respective totals for each account will appear on Schedule 2 in column 4 and/or 5.

Sch-6, the Totals of Health Care Facilities and Other Components must agree with Sch-2, col. 6, Grand Total.

Sch-6, the Total of Regional Offices must agree with Sch-2, col. 7, Grand Total.

Sch-6 Grand Total must agree with Sch-2, sum of columns 6 and 7, Grand Totals.

The totals by chain component will be carried forward to Schedule 8, by the program. In case of non-concurrent year-ends, ensure the functional allocations are identified in the proper reporting period.

Schedule 7-2, 7-3 Allocation of Pooled Costs to Chain Components

Pooled costs represent expenses that cannot be directly or functionally allocated to the chain components. Schedule 5 and 6 must be completed, where appropriate, prior to completion of Schedule 7-2 and/or Schedule 7-3.

Pooled costs also include costs which were directly or functionally allocated to the chain regional offices. A separate Sch7-3 must be completed for each regional office.

Pooled costs are allocated to the chain components on a reasonable allocation basis:

- (1) For Home Office reporting periods beginning on or after November 1, 1976, the pooled costs are allocated in the following manner:
 - (a) Where the chain consists solely of health care facilities, the pooled costs must be allocated on the basis of inpatient days or total costs. (See HIM-15-1, Section 2150.3D for instructions.) The statistics must be gathered from the component for the period concurrent with that of the Home Office and separately identified throughout Schedule 7-2.
 - (b) Where the chain consists of both health care facilities and other business organizations, the pooled costs must be first allocated among these two groups on an appropriate basis, depending on the organization of the chain. After this initial allocation, the pooled costs allocated to the health care facilities as a group are again allocated to the individual components as set forth in (a) above.

Chains may also file a step-down method of allocation.

Schedules 7-2, and 7-3 have two sections. For the single allocation method, the last column of Part I must be completed and all of Part II must be completed for each schedule. Where the double allocation method is used, all of Parts I and II must be completed.

Schedule 7-2 and 7-3, continued

Part I Single or Double Allocation Method

Sch 7-2 and 7-3 The software presents a Confirmation screen for the user to choose the single or double allocation method desired. The system is defaulted for the single allocation method. See Figure 19.

Figure 19 - Home Office Pooled Allocation Initial Screen

Choosing the Confirmation option brings up the actual screen where the method is selected; Figure 20.

Figure 20 - Confirmation Screen for Choosing Single or Double Allocation Method

The user also has the option of choosing to use percentages or fixed amounts such as days or dollars for the statistics.

column 1 The allocation base was chosen at the time the amounts were input to Schedule 2, col. 1 but may be changed by accessing that schedule. The screens shown in Figures 19, 20, 21a, and 21b are used to input the allocation statistics to be used by the system to calculate the amount of pooled expenses for each specific component. Input a statistic common to both the Healthcare Facilities and the Other Non-Healthcare Components such as total cost or some suitable numbers that will allow the system to calculate the percentage ratio to use of the total available amount. For example, if the healthcare facilities represented 60% of all expenses for the chain and the non-healthcare components represented 40% of all expenses, the user could enter the number 60 in the Amount column on line 1 and 40 on line 2. The software will then add the two numbers together and calculate the percentage each is to the total sum. These percentages will then act on the total maximum allowed pooled costs which is \$295,365 for the example shown in Figure 21b. However, the user is required to enter the desired total amount for the system to use and that amount must not exceed the Sch 2, column 8, Grand Total.

Schedule 7-2 and 7-3, Part I, continued

If the user chooses the single allocation method, only column 3 (Allocated) will be open and the user must enter the specific dollar amounts on lines 1 and 2 for each component group with the total not exceeding Sch 2, column 8, Grand Total as shown in Fig 21a.

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS - STATISTICS			
Home Office			
Part 1. Allocation between Health Care Facilities and Other Components			
	Amount	%	Allocated
1. Health Care Facilities.....:	0		0
2. Other Components.....:	0		0
		100.00	
Maximum amount allowed (total of Sch. 2 Col. 8) :			295365
<div> < Save > < Page 2 > < Cancel > </div>			

Figure 21a - Single Allocation Method Part 1 Input Screen

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS - STATISTICS			
Home Office			
Part 1. Allocation between Health Care Facilities and Other Components			
	Amount	%	Allocated
1. Health Care Facilities.....:	0		0
2. Other Components.....:	0		0
Maximum amount allowed (total of Sch. 2 Col. 8) :			295365
<div> < Save > < Page 2 > < Cancel > </div>			

Figure 21b - Double Allocation Method Part 1 Input Screen

column 2 If the double allocation method is used, the program will compute the percentages of allocation based on the statistic entries entered in the Amount fields of column 1 as shown in Fig 21b.

column 3 Enter the pooled expenses to be allocated on line 3. On Sch 7-2, this figure must agree with Schedule 2, column 8, Grand Total. On Sch 7-3, this figure must agree with Schedule 2, sum of columns 5 and 7, Grand Totals, for the respective regional office.

The system will multiply the total pooled costs (line 3, column 3) by the percentages computed in column 2 and display the respective totals in lines 1 and 2 of column 3. These amounts will also be transferred to Sch 7-1, Part I, columns 1 and 2, lines 1 through 3. If the single allocation method is used, the user must decide what amount to enter for the health care facilities and what amount to allocate to the other components.

Schedule 7-2 and 7-3, continued

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS - STATISTICS
Home Office

Part 1. Allocation between Health Care Facilities and Other Components

Allocation Statistics ☐ Total Inpatient Days
Base.....: ☐ Total Cost
 ☐ Other Approved Method

Part 2. Allocation to Individual Chain Components

Health Care Facilities ☐ Total Inpatient Days
Allocation Base.....: ☐ Total Cost
 ☐ Other Approved Method

Other Components
Allocation Base.....: ☐ Total Inpatient Days
 ☐ Total Cost
 ☐ Other Approved Method

Figure 22 - Allocation Basis Declaration Screen for Part 1 and Part 2

Figure 22 shows the Part 1, Page 2, entry screen where the user must declare the allocation basis that was used in determining the statistics.

Part II Allocation to Individual Chain Components

Sch 7-2 and 7-3

The software presents a series of screens after choosing the Part 2 option from the Allocation screen as shown in Figure 23. You will be given a choice to enter the names of all Health Care Facilities or Other components on the next screen (Figure 24). After choosing which type of components to be added, the next screen (Figure 25) will appear and you must choose the **< Add >** option to get to a selection listing of all the components by each type. Ensure that the components are matched properly to the responsible regional office on Sch 7-3 and that all the components are assigned under the Home Office correctly.

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS - STATISTICS
Home Office

☐ Part 1 - Confirmation
☐ Part 1 - between Facilities and Other Components
☒ Part 2 - to Individual Chain Components

Figure 23 - Allocating Pooled Costs to individual Chain Components

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS
Home Office

☒ Health Care Facilities
☐ Other Components

Figure 24 - Assigning Health Care Facilities and Other Components to the Home Office

Schedule 7-2 and 7-3, Part II, continued

State	Component Name	Number	FYE
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< Add > < Edit > < Remove > < Done >

Figure 25 - Add Health Care Facilities to the Home Office or a Regional Office

State	Component Name	Number	FYE
AL	Burtonwood	34-609E	06/30/2006
FL	Lakeview	34-609P	06/30/2006
FL	Monroe	34-608H	06/30/2006
GA	Tar River	1003406041	06/30/2006
GA	Walnut Creek	42-6193ALE	06/30/2006
NC	Bear Creek	34-6034	06/30/2006
NC	Clear Creek	34-6336	06/30/2006
NC	Forest Hill	34-6100	06/30/2006
NC	Gatewood	34-6471	06/30/2006
NC	Holden Road	34-605H	06/30/2006
NC	King George	1003406109	06/30/2006

< Ok > < Done >

Figure 26 - Selecting Healthcare Facility Components to be Added

Component State: FL

Component Name: Lakeview

Medicaid Number: 34-609P

Allocation Statistics Amount: 0

< Save > < Cancel >

Figure 27 - Entering Statistic Amount to the Selected Chain Component

As each facility is selected, the system will present an input screen to enter the statistics amount to be used for that component as shown in Figure 27. After this is done, the system will return to the Add Chain Component screen where the user can may see all the components with their respective statistics as well as the total statistics accumulated for all the components; Figure 28.

Schedule 7-2 and 7-3, Part II, continued

ALLOCATION OF POOLED COSTS Home Office			
Part 2. Allocation to Individual Chain Components			
State	Health Care Facilities	Number	Allocation
AL	Burtonwood	34-609E	2,190
FL	Lakeview	34-609P	2,183
FL	Monroe	34-608H	2,189
GA	Tar River	1003406041	10,503
GA	Walnut Creek	42-6193ALE	12,981
NC	Bear Creek	34-6034	45,325
NC	Clear Creek	34-6336	43,445
NC	Forest Hill	34-610U	2,190
NC	Gatewood	34-6471	5,474
Totals:			193,747
< Add > < Edit > < Remove > < Done >			

Figure 28 - Part 2, Healthcare Facility Components with Allocation Statistics

column 1 Enter the allocation statistics used in computing the pooled expenses as shown in Figure 23 through Figure 27. The sub-totals will be calculated and posted on the appropriate lines of Schedule 7-2, part 2 for the Home Office and on Schedule 7-3, part 2 if entering data for a regional office.

column 2 The software will enter the pooled expenses to be allocated for Part II from the value calculated in Part I, Figure 21. As each component is chosen and the statistics amount entered (Figure 26 & 27) the software will calculate an amount for column 3 and sum the Sub-Total and Grand Total lines on Sch 7-2. These totals must agree with Schedule 2, column 8, Grand Total (and where the double allocation method was used, with Sch 7-2, Part I, column 3, line 3). Also, for the regional office form Sch 7-3, the respective totals must agree with Schedule 2, columns 5 and 7, Grand Totals (and where the double allocation method was used, with Sch 7-3, Part I, column 3, line 3).

The program will compute the Unit Cost Multiplier used by the Part II, Health Care Facilities section of each schedule by dividing the allocated pooled costs by the total statistics (column 2, item "A" divided by column 1, item "D"). In addition, it will compute the Unit Cost Multiplier used by the Part II, Other Components section of each schedule by dividing the allocated pooled costs by the total statistics (column 2, item "B" divided by column 1, item "E").

After the above routines have been computed, the program will apply the Unit Cost Multipliers to the statistics accumulated, entering the resulting allocations of cost in the appropriate lines in column 2.

These amounts will be transferred by the program to Schedule 7-1, Part II, columns 1& 2.

Schedule 7-1 Allocation of Pooled Cost to Chain Components

Sch 7-1 **columns 1 and 2** The software will enter the allocated pooled cost by chain component as determined from Sch 7-2 and 7-3.

The Sub-Total and Grand Totals for Sch 7-1, column 1 must agree with Schedule 2, column 8, Grand Total. Sch 7-1, column 2, Totals must agree with the sum of Schedule 2, columns 5 and 7, Grand Totals.

column 3 The program will calculate the totals of pooled cost by adding columns 1 and 2 and will transfer these amounts to Schedule 8. The user must ensure that in cases of non-concurrent year ends the pooled cost allocations are identified in the proper reporting period.

Schedule 8 Summary - Allocation of Home Office Cost

The purpose of this schedule is to summarize the allocations of Home Office cost determined on Schedules 5, 6, and 7.

For chains with concurrent year ends for all components and the Home Office, only Part I must be completed. For chains with non-concurrent year ends, only Part II must be completed to show the inter-period allocations of cost. The user will only have access to Schedule 8 if there are components having non-concurrent year ends.

Part I	column 1	The fiscal year end for each chain component was entered at the time the component was added on the General Information Schedule 1. Use that screen to make any corrections.
	column 2	The direct allocations of cost will be taken from Schedule 5 for each chain component as it was entered on that form.
	column 3	The functional allocations of cost will be taken from Schedule 6 for each chain component as it was entered on that form.
	column 4	The period allocations of cost from Schedule 7-1 will be shown on the print viewer for all chain components having a concurrent FYE with the Home Office.
	column 5	The total of the allowance cost by chain component will; be calculated by the program by adding the amounts in columns 2, 3, and 4. Sch 8, column 5, Total must agree with Schedule 2, column 3, Grand Total.
Part II	column 1	The fiscal year end for each chain component was entered at the time the component was added on the General Information Schedule 1. Use that screen to make any corrections.
	column 2 and 7	The program will enter the direct allocations of cost from Schedule 5 for each chain component. Ensure that the amounts have been properly recorded and use Schedule 8 to key the actual amount applicable to the concurrent period. The program will post the remainder in the non-concurrent side of the form.
	column 3 and 8	The program will enter the total functional allocation of cost from Schedule 6 for each chain component. The amount entered in both columns should be the same.
	column 4 and 9	The program will enter the percentage representing the number of months of the component's reporting period which is covered (column 4) and not covered (column 9) by the Home Office reporting period. continued→

Schedule 8, continued

Part II	column 4 and 9 cont.	For example, if the Home Office has a FYE of 12/31 and the provider had a FYE of 7/31, the percentage in column 4 would represent 7/12ths and the percentage in column 9 would represent 5/12ths.
	column 5 and 10	The software will multiply column 3 by column 4 and enter the product in column 5. It will also multiply column 8 by column 9 and enter the product in column 10. These amounts represent the functional allocation to be included in the concurrent and non-concurrent periods of the component's reporting year.
	column 6 and 11	The program will enter the pooled allocations of cost from Schedule 7-1 for each chain component. Ensure that the amounts have been properly recorded and use Schedule 8 to key the actual amount applicable to the concurrent period or check the option to apportion the amount based on the number of concurrent months. The program will post the remainder in the non-concurrent side of the form.
	column 12	<p>The total of the allocated cost by chain component will be calculated by adding the amounts in columns 2, 5, 6, 7, 10, and 11.</p> <p>The Total of column 12 must agree with Schedule 2, column 3, Grand Total.</p>

Schedule 9 Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Schedule 9 must be completed in its entirety or a substitute revenue and expense statement for the Home Office must be submitted as part of Home Office cost statement.

Schedule 9A Invested Funds and Interest Income

Schedule 9-A requests certain information pertaining to funds maintained by the Home Office in interest bearing accounts. These accounts include, but are not limited to, sweep accounts, money market accounts, and investment checking accounts. Interest income from cash accounts diverted from patient care must be computed and offset against interest expense in the home office cost report. Similarly, interest income from cash accounts related to patient care must be computed and forwarded to Schedule G, line 235 of the component facilities cost reports.

Schedule 10 Balance Sheet for Computation of Home Office Equity Capital

column 1 and 4 **line 1 thru 57** Enter the year end balances for assets, liabilities, and capital of the chain Home Office. Also, enter any adjustments to these accounts where necessary. Where the account descriptions do not conform to the accounts used by the Home Office, other accounts may be entered.

column 3 and 6 **line 1 thru 57** The program will calculate the results for column 3 and column 6.

Line 55 column 6 must agree with line 31 column 3.

Schedules 11 - 15

Because Schedule F, Part II has been eliminated from the facility cost report, DMA has eliminated Schedules 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 from the Home Office Cost Statement for FYE 09/30/2004 and no provider action is necessary for these schedules.

Creating the Certification Form

The user will find an option **Print Certification Form** on the **File** drop down menu; Figure 40. This form **must** be printed before the program will allow the mail-in diskette to be completed. After the form has been printed, the user must complete Part A and date and sign the form to send to DMA or the Home Office Cost Statement will be deemed unacceptable.

Printing Final Cost Statement

After all entries have been completed on the cost statement, the print option **Final Cost Report** is available to make a hard copy for final verification. It is strongly recommended that every user print a hardcopy of the entire cost statement and verify the accuracy of every schedule.

See Figure 39 for the print Final Cost Report selection screen.

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HOME OFFICE COST STATEMENT
Select Form(s) to Print

[X] General Information
[X] Allowable Costs
[X] Adjustments to Expenses
[X] Costs of Services from Related Organizations
[X] Direct Allocation of Expenses
[X] Functional Allocation of Expenses
[X] Allocation of Pooled Costs
[X] Summary - Allocation of Home Office Costs
[X] Statement of Revenue and Expenses
[X] Balance Sheet - Home Office Equity Capital
[X] Investment Funds & Interest Income

[ ] Only Completed Forms
[X] Final Cost Report

< Ok >                                < Done >

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Figure 39 - Form Selection Screen for Printing Final Cost Report

Creating the Mail-In Diskette for DMA

The final step in preparing the Home Office Cost Statement is creating the mail-in diskette to send to DMA. The option - **Send Cost Statement to DMA** is located on the **File** drop down menu as shown in Figure 40. Insert an empty clean formatted diskette into drive **A** or **B** as appropriate for your PC. Then select the option to create the diskette. Note: The diskette will not be created if you have not printed out the Certification Form.

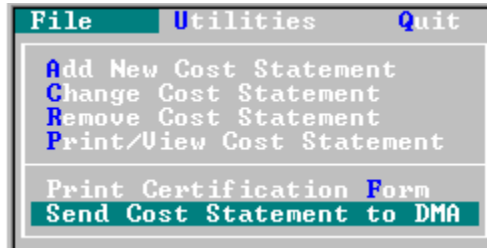


Figure 40 -- Send Cost Statement to DMA Option

For technical questions relating to specific entries on the Home Office Cost Statement or assistance with using the software, contact the Audit Section at telephone (919) 647-8060 or Fax your inquiry to (919) 715-4711.